



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

NURSES WEEK

- WHEREAS: Nurses in Georgia comprise our state's largest health care profession. These professionals work to meet the various and emerging health care needs of Georgians in a wide range of settings; and
- WHEREAS: Professional nursing is an indispensable component in the health care process, and the efforts of nurses are important in ensuring that hospitalized patients receive quality care; and
- WHEREAS: The demand for the services of registered nurses will likely continue to increase due to the aging population, advancements in life-sustaining technology, and the growing popularity of home health services; and
- WHEREAS: More qualified registered nurses are needed to meet the increasingly complex needs of consumers. The cost-effective health care services provided by nurses will remain an integral component of Georgia's health care delivery system in the future; and
- WHEREAS: The Georgia Nurses Association (GNA) works to chart a new course for a healthy state that relies upon increasing the delivery of primary health care, while also emphasizing primary and preventive health care to best utilize the resources of our state's registered nurses; and
- WHEREAS: The theme for Nurses Week 2018, "Nurses Inspire, Innovate and Influence," honors nurses who are leading the way in protecting the health and wellness of patients by striving to provide safe, high-quality care that continues to improve our health care system; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim May 6-12, 2018, as NURSES WEEK in Georgia and encourage Georgians to recognize the valuable services provided by nurses in our health care system.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 11th day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

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